

## **CLAIM AMENDMENTS**

**Claim 1 (Previously Presented)**

A one-part photographic developing concentrate comprising:

(i) a paraphenylenediamine color developing agent;

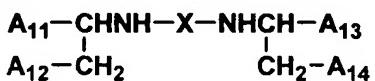
and

(ii) a water-soluble organic solvent,

wherein a molar ratio of sodium ion to potassium ion is at least 3, and a molar ratio of sulfate ion to carbonate ion is at least 0.25; and

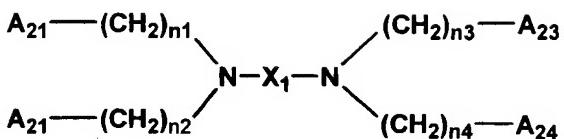
wherein a compound represented by Formulas (A-I) to (A-IV) is further contained:

### Formula (A-I)



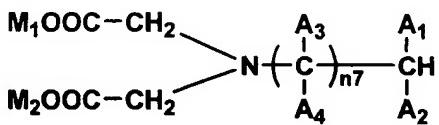
wherein A<sub>11</sub>, A<sub>12</sub>, A<sub>13</sub> and A<sub>14</sub>, which may be the same or different, each represents -CH<sub>2</sub>OH, -PO<sub>3</sub>(M<sub>6</sub>) or -COOM<sub>7</sub>; M<sub>6</sub> and M<sub>7</sub> each represents a hydrogen atom, an ammonium group, an alkaline metal atom or an organic ammonium group; X represents an alkylene group having 2 to 6 carbon atoms or -(B<sub>1</sub>O)<sub>n</sub>-B<sub>2</sub>-; n represents an integer of 1 to 6; and B<sub>1</sub> and B<sub>2</sub>, which may be the same or different, each represents an alkylene group having 1 to 5 carbon atoms,

Formula (A-II)



wherein  $A_{21}$ ,  $A_{22}$ ,  $A_{23}$  and  $A_{24}$ , which may be the same or different, each represents  $-CH_2OH$ ,  $-COOM^1$  or  $-PO_3(M^2)_2$ ;  $M^1$  and  $M^2$  each represents a hydrogen atom, an ammonium group, an alkaline metal or an organic ammonium group;  $X_1$  represents a straight or branched alkylene group having 2 to 6 carbon atoms, a saturated or unsaturated organic group which forms a ring, or  $-(B_{11}O)_{n5}B_{12}-$ ;  $n5$  represents an integer of 1 - 6;  $B_{11}$  and  $B_{12}$ , which may be the same or different, each represents an alkylene group having 1 - 5 carbon atoms; and  $n1$ ,  $n2$ ,  $n3$  and  $n4$ , which may be the same or different, each represents an integer of not less than 1 and at least one of  $n1$ ,  $n2$ ,  $n3$  and  $n4$  is 2 or more,

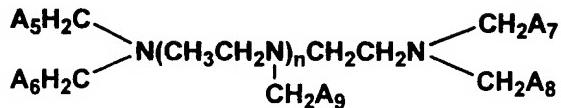
Formula (A-III)



wherein  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$ ,  $A_3$  and  $A_4$ , which may be the same or different, each represents a hydrogen atom, a hydroxyl group,  $-COOM_3$ ,  $-PO_3(M_4)_2$ ,  $-CH_2COOM_5$ ,  $-CH_2OH$  or a lower alkyl group, however, at least one of  $A_1$  to  $A_4$  represents  $-COOM_3$ ,  $-PO_3(M_4)_2$ , or  $-COOM_5$ ;  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$ ,  $M_3$ ,  $M_4$ , and  $M_5$  each represents a

hydrogen atom, an ammonium group, an alkaline metal atom or an organic ammonium group; and n7 represents an integer of 0 to 2,

Formula (A-IV)



wherein,  $\text{A}_5$ ,  $\text{A}_6$ ,  $\text{A}_7$ ,  $\text{A}_8$  and  $\text{A}_9$ , which may be the same or different, each represents  $-\text{COOM}_3$  or  $-\text{PO}_3\text{M}_4\text{M}_5$ ;  $\text{M}_3$ ,  $\text{M}_4$  and  $\text{M}_5$ , which may be the same or different, each represents a hydrogen atom or an alkaline metal atom; and  $n$  represents an integer of 1 or 2.

Claim 2 (Original)

The one-part photographic developing concentrate of claim 1, wherein the developing concentrate does not comprise any other cations than sodium ion.

Claim 3 (Cancelled)

Claim 4 (Original)

The one-part photographic developing concentrate of claim 1, wherein the developing concentrate does not comprise a fluorescent whitening agent.

Claim 5-8 (Cancelled)

Claim 9 (Previously Presented)

A one-part photographic developing concentrate comprising:

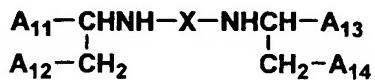
- (i) a paraphenylene diamine color developing agent;
- (ii) a water-soluble organic solvent; and
- (iii) sodium ions, potassium ions, sulfate ions and carbonate ions,

wherein a molar ratio of sodium ion to potassium ion is at least 3, and a molar ratio of sulfate ion to carbonate ion is at least 0.25.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented)

The one-part photographic developing concentrate of claim 9, wherein a compound represented by Formulas (A-I) to (A-IV) is further contained:

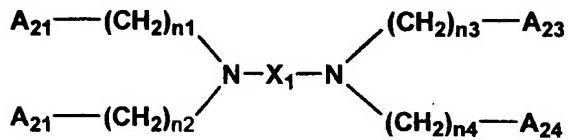
Formula (A-I)



wherein  $\mathbf{A_{11}}$ ,  $\mathbf{A_{12}}$ ,  $\mathbf{A_{13}}$  and  $\mathbf{A_{14}}$ , which may be the same or different, each represents  $-\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ ,  $-\text{PO}_3(\text{M}_6)$  or  $-\text{COOM}_7$ ;  $\text{M}_6$  and  $\text{M}_7$  each represents a hydrogen atom, an ammonium group, an alkaline metal atom or an organic ammonium group;  $\text{X}$

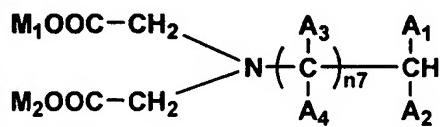
represents an alkylene group having 2 to 6 carbon atoms or  $-(B_1O)_n-B_2-$ ; n represents an integer of 1 to 6; and  $B_1$  and  $B_2$ , which may be the same or different, each represents an alkylene group having 1 to 5 carbon atoms,

Formula (A-II)



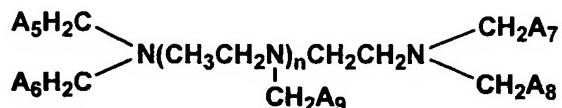
wherein  $A_{21}$ ,  $A_{22}$ ,  $A_{23}$  and  $A_{24}$ , which may be the same or different, each represents  $-CH_2OH$ ,  $-COOM^1$  or  $-PO_3(M^2)_2$ ;  $M^1$  and  $M^2$  each represents a hydrogen atom, an ammonium group, an alkaline metal or an organic ammonium group;  $X_1$  represents a straight or branched alkylene group having 2 to 6 carbon atoms, a saturated or unsaturated organic group which forms a ring, or  $-(B_{11}O)_{n5}-B_{12}-$ ;  $n5$  represents an integer of 1 - 6;  $B_{11}$  and  $B_{12}$ , which may be the same or different, each represents an alkylene group having 1 - 5 carbon atoms; and  $n1$ ,  $n2$ ,  $n3$  and  $n4$ , which may be the same or different, each represents an integer of not less than 1 and at least one of  $n1$ ,  $n2$ ,  $n3$  and  $n4$  is 2 or more,

Formula (A-III)



wherein  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$ ,  $A_3$  and  $A_4$ , which may be the same or different, each represents a hydrogen atom, a hydroxyl group,  $-COOM_3$ ,  $-PO_3(M_4)_2$ ,  $-CH_2COOM_5$ ,  $-CH_2OH$  or a lower alkyl group, however, at least one of  $A_1$  to  $A_4$  represents  $-COOM_3$ ,  $-PO_3(M_4)_2$ , or  $-COOM_5$ ;  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$ ,  $M_3$ ,  $M_4$ , and  $M_5$  each represents a hydrogen atom, an ammonium group, an alkaline metal atom or an organic ammonium group; and  $n_7$  represents an integer of 0 to 2,

Formula (A-IV)



wherein,  $A_5$ ,  $A_6$ ,  $A_7$ ,  $A_8$  and  $A_9$ , which may be the same or different, each represents  $-COOM_3$  or  $-PO_3M_4M_5$ ;  $M_3$ ,  $M_4$  and  $M_5$ , which may be the same or different, each represents a hydrogen atom or an alkaline metal atom; and  $n$  represents an integer of 1 or 2.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented)

The one-part photographic developing concentrate of claim 9, wherein the developing concentrate does not comprise a fluorescent whitening agent.